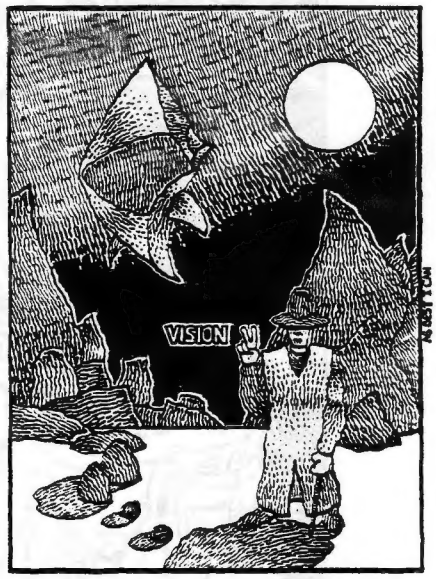
COMIX WORLD 237. Oct. 1984, © Clay Geerdes, Box 7081, Berkeley, CA 94707. All Rights Reserved. Logo by Doug "Captain Saucer" Holverson.* Subs: $6 for 24, $11 for 48.* Far Sided Gary Larson was at Cody's in Berkeley on Sept. 21, signing his latest collection of weirdness.* Dave Sim, whose popular CEREBUS is up to issue 66, signed autographs at Comics & Comix in Berkeley on Sept. 28. New books from Aardvark Vanaheim include the 2d issue of FLAMING CARROT, JOURNEY 13, and MS. TREE 10.* Pacific Comics not publishing for a couple of months. Some of the artists are looking for new publishers.* MOONSTONE 4 is mostly a fanzine. Info from Ross Riahala, 807 Hawthorne St. Cloquet, MN 55770. DR FUUSH & DOUGHNUT KID 2—50/ST FROM Ross, C.G.

RANDOM RAP: Well, I think we have seen the last Miss Black America for awhile. Miss Utah is in the driver's seat now & you can bet she is as far from Cheryl Williams as Utah is from Georgia. Those folks are not taking any chances this time. The only nude photos of her were probably taken before she was three months old. Really, guys, is there anything more boring than a beauty pageant, more degrading to women? I saw a DALLAS re-run recently where a pair of rednecks force J. R.'s MISS TEXAS wife to humiliate herself by putting on her bathing suit and singing "People". Great satire there and the writers may not have known it at the time. I'm sure everyone thought it was terrible when it happened to Sue Ellen, yet millions of folks watch the various t-v pageants where it happens for real and they consider this entertainment.* Ever notice the close similarity between a Ronald Reagan Press Conference and a hemorrhoid ad?* I keep hearing about pornography in the papers and on the talk shows, so it must be close to election time. The best way to ensure the expansion of porn is to repress it, not to legitimize it. You can charge X dollars for something in a local theater, but X plus bucks when that item is only available under the counter. Porn always peaks under repression (remember the reign of Victorian Regina 1837-1903). Depression American porn was whimsical, satirical, little 8-pagers imitating pop strip characters like Blondie and Dick Tracy. Today we're experiencing some strange hybrid porn in movies like BOLERO, a film which could never have played a neighborhood theater pre-DEEP THROAT. I mean think about it: Here's a guy licking honey off Bo's tits in a family theater and nary a picket on the street, while across town at Berkeley's last adult theater the Women Against Porn wanted to close the place down because Candy Samples was there doing a live strip. How hypocritical can our town get? Well, The Mitchell Bros, who owned the Cinema threw in the towel and sold the theater to Allen Washon who is going to turn it into another Art house (which means yawning imports with subtitles). People have really weird ideas, you know, they think that a porn store next door is going to bring down the neighborhood, bring in a lot of sleazy types, yet the biggest crime neighborhood in this town is the South Campus and what is there is not a porn store, but a University campus. Logically, we ought to 86 U-C, then we'd have the crime problem solved, yeah. We'd also have the housing shortage solved and dumps that are rented to students for $500 a month would go back to the $50 they are worth.* Got a few more plugs here: WORKER POET 6 is $1.37 from Mike Hill, RD 4 Glenn Drive Rd., Franklin, PA 16323.* INKSPOTS airmail is $5.50/sea $4.* TV is 75/stamp from John E, POB 7243, Wichita, KS 67218.* HYSTERICAL HISTORY is 50/50 post from John Hay, 9429 Silverthorne Dr., Lake Park, FLA 33402.* CUBISTIK COMIKS is 50/stamp from Ed DeVore, RD 7 Bx 86, Meadville, PA 16335.* VISION, B & H/50/st CW.



BIEN, ESTA ES LA ULTIMA PREGUNTA DEL EXAMEN UNA HORA DE TIEMPO, A PARTIR DE AHORA QUIERO SILENCIO ABSOLUTO. ¿ENTENDIDO, SEÑORITAS?

THE MYSTERIOUS BRAIN BOY!!

YEAH, I LOOK DIFFERENT EVERY WEEK, ESPECIALLY IF I MOVE OR CHANGE JOBS. MY LAST SHRINK SAID I HAD A LITTLE SCHIZO...!
BUT DON'T WORRY! I'M NOT DANGEROUS!
OHM, I REMEMBER. YOU COULDN'T GET LAID WHEN YOU WERE IN COLLEGE, SO YOU DID DUMB THINGS LIKE DRINK TOO MUCH AND HURT YOURSELF.

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COMIX: GAY COMIX 5 on the stands.* There's EL VIBORA 56-57, nice fat summer special. Two panels right above. $10 will probably get you that from J. M. Berengueur, Plaza Beatas 3, Barcelona, SPAIN. MAKOKI 17 is a porn special. Same price. Adults only on all ug & most newave comix, so send an age statement with your first order. The Spanish ugs are into sex, violence, bondage, social satire, & spontaneous weirdness. EL VIBORA is about twice the size of an issue of HEAVY METAL and always a good buy.* ETERNITIES OF DARKNESS is by Steve Willis. Published by Dale Luciano, it sells for 75/stamp. 6932 E. Rosewood St., Tuscon, AZ 85710.* Pleasantly funny is Greg Guler's first ug from Steeldragon Press (POB 7253, Powderhorn STA, MPLS, MN 55407. $2.25 pp)--CAPTAIN PHIL AND THE INTERGALACTIC SPACE PALS. The good Captain reminds me of Mr. Rogers and Don Winslow. 24 pp, color cover.* After a hiatus, Larry Gonick's new volume (7) of THE CARTOON HISTORY OF THE UNIVERSE is on sale for $2. This one is "All About Athens." Also from Rip Off Press is FEELGOOD FUNNIES 2 by Foolbert Sturgeon (a dumb pseudonym, but a funny book with a parody of Tarzan and Jane which must have the Burroughs family wincing. $2. -C.G.

SO VIRTUE IS KNOWLEDGE! THEN IT CAN BE TAUGHT!
THEN FROM WHOM?
AND HAVE YOU EVER HEARD ANYONE SAY THAT THE SON OF THEMISTOCLES WAS UNGE OR GOOD?
FROM ANY ATHENIAN GENTLEMAN!
NEVER
YES
AND THE MAGNIFICENT PERICLES, DIDN'T HE TRY TO MAKE GOOD MEN OF HIS SONS? AND YOU KNOW WHAT THEY ARE LIKE...
WHO TEACHES IT?
AND THESE GENTLEMEN WOULD SURELY TEACH VIRTUE TO THEIR OWN SONS?
WHAT?
GROAN.
SURELY
WOULD YOU LEARN VIRTUE FROM A PROFESSIONAL VIRTUE-TEACHER?
WAS THEMISTOCLES A GREAT STATESMAN?
SO IT SEEMS THAT VIRTUE IS NOT A THING WHICH CAN BE TAUGHT?
NO! I DON'T TRUST 'EM!
YES
ALL RIGHT. I GIVE UP. WHAT IS VIRTUE?

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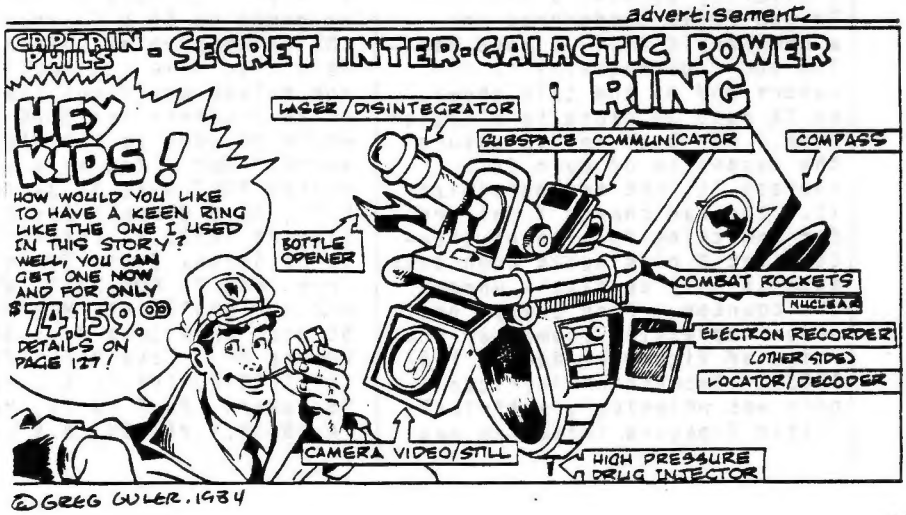
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BEST! DOG BOY'S JUST OUT!